

RESOLUTION NO. 7562

WHEREAS, the MADERA IRRIGATION DISTRICT has certain water rights on the Fresno River and its tributaries which it uses to supply the landowners of the District and to percolate water into the underground; and

WHEREAS, in most years there is sufficient runoff in the winter season so that there is water that is surplus to the District's needs as it occurs; and

WHEREAS, a project has been proposed which consists of a multiple-purpose dam and reservoir at the "Hidden" site on the Fresno River, about 15 miles northeast of the City of Madera, which project is authorized by the United States Congress for construction by the United States Corps of Engineers; and

WHEREAS, the studies of the United States Bureau of Reclamation show that after construction of Hidden Dam, for which the District has contracted with the United States of America for the entire yield of stored water, there will be a surplus of water to the District's needs; and

WHEREAS, the YOSEMITE SPRING PARK UTILITY CO., a private water company, regulated by the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California, is proposing to service a land development area near Coarsegold Creek in Madera County and is in need of water for storage for recreational, domestic and municipal purposes; and

WHEREAS, said Company is offering a contract to the District whereby the Company will purchase from the District up to 2,000 acre feet annually at the rate of \$20.00 an acre foot with a \$5,000.00 minimum, said purchase to be available to the Company only if the District declares a surplus to exist for

that particular year prior to construction of Hidden Dam, and after construction of Hidden Dam when said surplus will exist yearly; and

WHEREAS, after consideration of said contract, it now appears, and this board finds that the form of contract mentioned above offered to the District by said Company would be in the best interests of the District,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. That the aforementioned contract between the MADERA IRRIGATION DISTRICT and the YOSEMITE SPRING PARK UTILITY CO., for the purchase of surplus water from the District at the initial rate of \$20.00 per acre foot with an annual minimum of \$5,000.00, be approved and executed by the proper District officials.

2. That the staff of the District is authorized and directed to take all necessary steps to put said contract into legal effect.

RESOLVED AND ADOPTED this 19th day of June, 1970, as follows:

Ayes: Directors Steele, Franchi, Roberts and Melikian

Noes: Directors Wattenbarger

Absent: Directors None

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FREDERICK G. BANDY,  
Secretary-Manager